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FOR UNDER SECRETARY EAGLEBURGER FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS

REF. A. STATE 216356 B. CAIRO 9282

1. AS INDICATED IN PARA 3, REFTEL B, OUR BIGGEST PROBLEM ON SECURING THE PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS OF THE COMPOUND IS THE PRESENT ENTRY GATE. WE HAVE PROPOSED TO FBO A NEW, SECURE ENTRY ROOM AND HAVE BEEN AWAITING A RESPONSE.

2. I HAVE TODAY RECEIVED STATE 223900 TO WHICH I INVITE YOUR ATTENTION. WITH DUE RESPECT TO FBO'S CONCERNS, I SEE THIS AS A TYPICAL FBZS"OLD MAN RIVER" APPROACH. THINGS JUST KEEP "ROLLING ALONG." I AM INFORMING FBO THAT I AM APPEALING THE CASE TO YOU.

3. IF WE MEAN WHAT WE SAY ABOUT PROTECTING PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS, AND I AM SURE WE DO, I DO NOT BELIEVE WE CAN WAIT UNTIL THE "OVERALL MASTER PLANNING OF COMPOUND" IS DONE AND IMPLEMENTED. THIS WILL TAKE YEARS AND UNDERSTANDABLY SO. THE SECURITY PROBLEM IS WITH US NOW. I SUBMIT THAT A PROPER ENTRY WAY CAN BE DESIGNED AND BUILT THAT WILL NOT DESTROY THE DECOR OF WHATEVER COMPOUND OVERALL MASTER PLANNING MAY
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EVENTUALLY BE DONE. IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT THAT IT

DOES, THERE IS NO REASON WHY IT CANNOT BE
RECONFIGURED AT SOME LATER DATE TO FIT IN. AFTER ALL,
COSTS WILL NOT BE THAT GREAT.

4. IF YOU AGREE, I WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR
INTERVENTION TO GET FBO TO RECONSIDER AND GET
OFF THE DIME ON THIS HIGH PRIORITY SECURITY
PROJECT.
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